tion of forests under the Scheme "Development of infrastructure for protection of Forests against Biotic Interference".

(4) The Government of India have also started financial assistance to State Govts. for protection of forest against fire under the scheme 'Modern Forest Fire Cofitrol Methods'.

(5) The Government of India have also issued a circular on Ist June, 1990 to encourage people's active participation in development and protection of degraded forests.

(6) Guidelines have been issued to State/UT Govts. from time to time for protection of forests. Some of these guidelines are as given below :

(i) To aviod felling of natural forests and where such fellings are inevitable for restoration of crop or other silvicultural considerations, it should be restricted to an area not exceeding 10 hectares in the hills and 25 hectares in the plains.

(ii) To consider banning of felling of green trees in the hills above 1000 metres, at least for some years.

(iii) To set apart 4% of geographical area as protected area under Wildlife Sanctuaries, National parks and Biosphere reserves.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Exploitation of trees in reserved Forest above 1000 metre altitude is completely stopped in the region. Plantations were done in the area during 1983-88.

Notices to units in Mehrauli Chatarpur area

2055. SHRI DINESHBHAI T RIVEDI : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 853 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 1992 and state :

(a) the names of the units to which notices have been issued in the Mehrauli/Chatarpur area to comply with the provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 ; and

(b) what action has been taken by the Government in the matter so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) Notices have been issued by Delhi Pollution Control Committee under Sections 21 and 22 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for compliance, to the following units in the Mehrauli/ Chatarpur area :

(i) Subedar Brick Kiln ; (ii) P.K. Brick Kiln ; (iii) Chandgi Ram Brick Kiln ; (iv) D.R.K. Brick Kiln ; (v) Universal Brick Kiln ; (vi) Ranbeer Singh Panwar Bhatta Co. ; (vii) S.B.I. Bhatta ; (viii) R.L.S.-11 Brick Kiln ; (ix) Roshan Lal and Sons ; (x) N.I.B. Bhatta Co. ; (xi) Maha Luxmi Brick Kiln Works ; (xii) Atray Bhatta Co. ; (xiii) Ranbeer Singh Nand Kishore Bhatta ; (xiv) Saraswati Kiln Works (xv) Inder Lal Suri Brick Kiln ; (xvi) Anil and Co. ; (xvii) Ramesh Chand Brick Kiln ; (xviii) Baljeet Singh and Co. Brick Kiln ; (xix) Raj Kamal Bhatta ; (xx) Jai Kishan Bhatta ; (xxi) Hukam Chand and Co. ; (xxii) H.S. Bhatta and Co. ; (xxiii) Ajay Enterprises and (xxiv) Jaildar Bhatta.

(b) Brick Kilns are seasonal and shifts from one place to another for want of land for suitable mud/earth required for brick manufacture. The steps taken by the Government to ensure compliance by this industry include the following :

(i) Ambient air quality standards have been notified ;

(ii) Network of ambient air quality monitoring stations have been set up ;

(iii) Emission standards have been notified for air polluting industries ;

(iv) All polluting industries have been directed to instal necessary pollution control equipment as an to comply with the prescribed standards within a time frame ;

(v) The Delhi Administration have an existing scheme whereby polluting industries are provided 50 per cent of the cost of equipment as subsidy ;

(vi) Legal action under the provisions of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 is taken against the defaulting units ;

(vii) Steps have been initiated for providing access to low cost control technology to small scale units, including brick kilns.

Brick kilns iu the Mehrauli Chatarpur area

2066. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) wether there is any brick kilns operating in the Mehrauli/ Chatarpur area in Delhi ;

(b) if so, the names of the brick kilns and whether they are operating with a valid licence ; and

(c) if so, the date of validity of licence of each brick kiln ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) Yes, Sir. 24 Brick kilns are operating in Mehrauli/Chatarpur area in Delhi.

(b) and (c) Names of the brick kilns which are operating in Mehrauli Chatarpur area are given in the Statement (*see* below). Information in regard to their operation with a valid licence and the date of its validity is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Brick Kiln
1	2
1	Subedar Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
2	P.K. Brick Kin Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
3	Chandgi Ram Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
4	D.R.K. Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-37
5	Universal Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
6	Ranbeer Singh Panwar Bhatta Co. Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
7	S.B.I. Batta Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
8	R.L.S. 11 Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
9	Roshan Lal & Sons Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
10	N.I.B. Bhatta Co. Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
11	Maha Luxmi Brick Kiln Works Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
12	Atray Bhatta Co. Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
13	Ranbeer Singh Nand Kishore Bhatta Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
14	Srswati Kiln Works, Village Kishan Garh, Delhi-30
15	Inder Lal Suri Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Meharoulli, Delhi.
16	Anil & Co. Kishan Garh, Meharouli, Delhi
17	Ramesh Chand Brick Kiln Kishan Garh, Delhi-30